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COMPLETION OF POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether acceptance of unreasonable terms imposed by international funding agencies is hampering the completion of the power projects in the country in time;

(b) if so, whether the Government has constituted a High Powered Committee of Experts to look into the matter;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to formulate an Integrated Energy Policy;

(d) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(e) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : No, Sir. Progress of projects is not being hampered. However, a Committee headed by Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority was set up by Ministry of Power to inter alia analyze the terms and conditions of the loans taken by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) from the World Bank. The Committee has submitted its report.

(c) to (e) : An Expert Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Member (Energy), Planning Commission on 12.8.2004 to prepare an integrated energy policy linked with sustainable development that covers all sources of energy and addresses all aspects including energy security, access and availability, affordability and pricing, efficiency and environment. The Expert Committee has not submitted its report as yet.